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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 NORTHERN DIVISION OF CALIFORNIA

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11 RICHARD HOWARD,  
12 Plaintiff,

13 vs.

14 WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL MISSOURI,  
15 INC., WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL  
ACCEPTANCE, WELLS FARGO AUTO  
FINANCE, INC., WELLS FARGO  
FINANCIAL CAR, LLC, and DOES 1-50,

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17 Defendants.

Case No. C07-05881 EDL

DECLARATION OR RON BOCHNER IN  
SUPPORT OF MOTION TO EXTEND  
TIME FOR COMPLETION OF  
DISCOVERY

DATE: NO HEARING PER  
TIME: LOCAL RULE 6-1  
DEPT.: E

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20 I, Ron Bochner, declare as follows:

21 This is a case for violation of the Fair Credit Reporting Act/Fair and Accurate  
22 Transactions Act (FCRA). Plaintiff RICHARD HOWARD (Plaintiff) alleges that defendants  
23 WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL MISSOURI, INC., WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL  
ACCEPTANCE, WELLS FARGO AUTO FINANCE, INC., WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL  
CAR, LLC (WF) allowed a previously disputed and removed account (which had resulted fraud  
24 identity theft) to be re-reported on this credit report and that WF failed and refused to remove the  
25 returned account after he disputed it in accord with the FCRA. Plaintiff seeks compensatory,  
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1 statutory and punitive damages under the FCRA.

2 2. The court had previously set discovery cut off for September 30, 2008, the filing of dispositive

3 motions for October 7, 2008 and hearing of dispositive motions for November 7, 2008.

4 3. Plaintiff previously filed a Motion to Compel, the upshot of which was that defendant Wells

5 Fargo provided a Declaration from Ryan Bowie, who identified himself as working for Wells

6 Fargo, N.A. (a non-party to this action) that certain documents had been produced. Upon ruling

7 on Plaintiff's Motion to Compel further Discovery responses, the court ordered that the court

8 would consider a short extension of time to complete discovery. Plaintiff has set the deposition

9 of Mr. Bowie for September 18, 2008, and Wells Fargo has said he would be available that day,

10 but has not provided his location so that the deposition can be set telephonically. Plaintiff also

11 set the deposition for Wells Fargo's person most knowledgeable, but Wells Fargo has been non-

12 responsive on that. This being the case, plaintiff has amended the PMK notice to move the date

13 to September 25, 2008. Plaintiff has also propounded a Set of Requests for Admission, Set One

14 to Wells Fargo Auto Finance, Inc. which would have a due date of October 8, 2008. Response to

15 these Requests, a true and correct copy of which is attached as Exhibit A to this Declaration,

16 would help to make trial of the matter more efficient as they may narrow issues.

17 4. On September 9, 2008, the undersigned requested that counsel for Wells Fargo stipulate to the

18 extension of time. There has been no response.

19 5. Here, plaintiff seeks to continue time to complete discovery to (1) make Requests for

20 Admission to defendant Wells Fargo Auto Finance, Inc. (2) to assure that all entities that are

21 necessary to be deposed.

22 6. Here, the modification is necessary to assure that depositions are completed and to narrow the

23 issues for trial. The undersigned has made efforts to obtain a stipulation and that there has been

24 no response. The harm or prejudice is that Plaintiff will not be able to obtain evidence necessary

25 to prosecute the case and that this issue seems to arise from the various Wells Fargo entities that

26 Wells Fargo has suggested are responsible for acts in dispute. The court previously moved the

discovery cut off to September 30, 2008 and Plaintiff is only seeking an extension of less than 10

1 days time. While there may be minimal impact on the dates for filing dispositive motions can be  
2 filed, this can also be dealt with by slightly modifying dates for filing papers and/or the hearing  
3 date.

4 7. Plaintiff asks that the court extend the discovery cut off to October 8, 2008. If dispositive  
5 motions are filed, Plaintiff asks that the court either maintain the current hearing date, November  
6 7, 2008 and shorten the time for service to 24 days (October 14, 2008 (13<sup>th</sup> is Columbus Day),  
7 Opposition to 14 days (October 24, 2008) and Reply to 7 days (October 31, 2008) before hearing.  
8 Alternatively, the Plaintiff asks the Court to move the dispositive motion hearing date to a date  
9 where the normal filing dates may be maintained.

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11 I declare under the penalty of perjury that the above is correct.

12 Executed at the City and County of Santa Clara this \_\_\_\_ day of September, 2008.

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BY \_\_\_\_\_  
RON K. BOCHNER

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EXHIBIT A

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12 Plaintiff,

13 PLAINTIFF'S REQUESTS FOR  
ADMISSION, SET ONE

14 vs.

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16 WELL FARGO ACCEPTANCE,  
MISSOURI, INC., et al.

17 Defendants.

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19 PROPOUNDING PARTY:

Plaintiff RICHARD HOWARD

20 RESPONDING PARTY:

Defendant WELL FARGO AUTO FINANCE, INC.

21 NUMBER:

ONE

22 Pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff, by counsel, propounds the  
following Requests for Admission to Defendant WELL FARGO AUTO FINANCE, INC. to be  
23 answered under oath within the time prescribed by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.  
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25 YOU ARE REQUESTED TO ADMIT:

- 1    1. YOU are the entity responsible for performing all Wells Fargo reinvestigations of Plaintiff's  
2 disputes in 2007.
- 3    2. YOU were notified by Trans Union that plaintiff had disputed the information about an  
4 account in 2007.
- 5    3. YOU received one or more CDV form(s) from Trans Union regarding the plaintiff and an  
6 account in 2007.
- 7    4. The CDV YOU received from Trans Union in June, 2007 did not trigger YOU duty to  
8 reinvestigate Mr. Howard's dispute.
- 9    5. In response to the CDV forms that YOU received from Trans Union in December, 2007,  
10 YOU conducted an investigation of plaintiff's dispute within thirty (30) days of YOUR receipt of  
11 the CDV form(s).
- 12    6. ADMIT YOUR employees who responded to plaintiff's June, 2007 dispute, completed CDV  
13 forms that did not verify the information about the account.
- 14    7. ADMIT YOUR employees who responded to Trans Union's December, 2007 CDV completed  
15 CDV forms that did not verify the information about the account.
- 16    8. ADMIT YOU did not remove an account from plaintiff's credit file within thirty days (30)  
17 after being notified by Trans Union that plaintiff disputed information being reported about the  
18 account in June, 2007.
- 19    10. ADMIT that the CDV YOU provided Trans Union in June, 2007 reported plaintiff disputed  
20 the account.
- 21    11. ADMIT that the CDV YOU provided Trans Union in December, 2007 reported plaintiff  
22 disputed the account.
- 23    12. ADMIT that at no point during the course of any of its 2007 investigation did any of YOUR  
24 employees examine any records of an account.
- 25    13. ADMIT the reason why the account number 50237593 was on plaintiff's credit report was  
26 due to a system conversion, by which an internal block was lifted and the account released with a  
different account number.

- 1 14. ADMIT that all the major credit reporting agencies except Trans Union followed YOUR  
2 instruction that the account, though being reported under a different account number, should still  
3 be treated as the account that was deleted and should not be reported.  
4 15. ADMIT that YOU were aware plaintiff had filed a lawsuit against Wells Fargo before YOU  
5 removed the entry in dispute from his report.

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8 September 8, 2008

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BY  
RON K. BOCHNER  
Attorney for Plaintiffs

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